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25 YEAR RE-REVIEW

ARMY review completed.

TRAINING AND MANEUVERS

In the first three months of training at the AF Officer and NCO Technical Training school in Zamosc, he received infantry basic

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training which included military courtesy, military regulations, close order drill, marksmanship and tactics.

All instruction was given by Polish officers in the Polish language. Instructors had reference material but students did not. Phase subject tests and end-of-course tests were given and graded Excellent (5) through Poor (1).

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Breakdown of subjects included:

- Close order drill, 80 hours. Consisted of road marches, parade marching and squad and platoon drill with and without weapons, both theory and practice. Commands were in Polish.
- b. Military regulations, 60 hours. Consisted of garrison regulations, interior guard, and rules of discipline.
- c. Marksmanship, 80 hours. Consisted of identification and nomenclature of carbine (KBK - Krotki Bojowy Karabin) and other small arms, dry fire practice and range firing with live ammunition. Targets included a 10 ring with bullseye center at 100 meters and a half-man silhouette at 200 meters.
- Infantry tactics, 40 hours. Subject material consisted mostly of practical training of the individual soldier in attack, squad and platoon in attack, observation, creeping and crawling, and camouflage.
- e. First aid and hygiene, 16 hours. VD lectures, first aid, and personal hygiene.

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Induction Procedure

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A very cursory physical examination and general person at nistory statement was filled out at the 1950 registration. A three-man civilian board gave the examination and questionnaire. In November 1951, at the Regional Induction 25X1 25X1 center (RKU - Rejonowa Komenda Uzupelnien), Krakow, the third registration.

About 150 draftees were present for the examination and were 25X1 accepted for military service.

A three-man medical officer board gave a physical examination to the potential inductees. They were examined in groups of six. The examination consisted of a check of eyes, ears, nose, teeth, and feet. Weight and height were recorded.

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there was a policy which deferred men for reasons of: blindness, lameness, heart trouble, and students finishing technical

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or scientific studies.

There was no choice of branch or service for the draftees. There was no check as to political reliability. Although he was sent to the AF Officer and NCO Technical Training school, he did not notice that he or any of the other men received any special screening for this assignment.

2. Year Classes

a. Mobilization

Increments of the class of 1931 were called up in the autumn of 1951 and spring of 1952. Increments of the class of 1932 were called up in the autumn of 1952 and the spring of 1953.

b. Tour of Service

Air Force - three years Navy - three years Infantry, artillery, armor - two years

c. Demobilization

the majority of the draftees served only their normal tours. The few who were retained 25X1 for longer tours of duty were the specialists and technicians. These few retainees, received a higher grade, better clothing allowance, and 25X1 more privileges.

3. Medical Record Data

There were no shots given upon induction There was no blood two typhus shots were 25X1 test or urinalysis. given yearly, but he was given only one or these shots during his tour of duty.

SUPPLY AND MAINTENANCE (POL)

25X1 There were two POL dumps in the caserne area of the 12th Air One aircraft POL dump (MPS -Squadron Magazyn Paliwa Samolotowego) was a brick walled inclosure consisting of storage bins for metal drums of gasoline, oil and grease. 25X1 In 1953, there were four cisterns or tanks completed in the new AF POL dump project. When standing on end, they were half the size of a European railroad car, about 15 cubic meters. POL was delivered to the two AF POL dumps by truck and rail. Flexible metal and rubber hoses were used to transfer the fuel to the tanks in the dump. Tank trucks were used to transfer the fuel to the tanks in the dump. Tank trucks were used to transfer the fuel 25X1 to planes. These trucks were Soviet 25X1

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trucks and some regular transports carried auxiliary tanks, with different type of gasoline. No other details on POL or POL supplies.

TRAINING AND ORGANIZATION

instructor references at the school 25% In Zamosc and at Wroclaw were translated into Polish from the Russian language. Training at Zamosc was patterned after the Soviet system. In the 56th Air Regt in Pila and the 12th Squadron, training and organization were patterned after the Soviet system. At the school in Zamosc, the school commandant was Col (fnu) Worobiow, a Soviet AF officer, and the director of studies was Lt. Col. (fnu) Aleksandrow, a Soviet AF officer. Both of the officers wore Polish uniforms, but did not attempt to hide the fact that they were Soviets. They spoke Polish poorty.

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ROLE OF THE POLISH ARMY

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at the school in Zamosc and at Wroclaw political lectures emphasized that all AF personnel were to defend Poland against all enemies.

Subjects covered in political indoctrination included historical study of BIERUT, MALENKOV, STALIN, LENIN, and MARX, meaning of the Polish United Party (PZPR - Polska Zjednoczona Partja Robotnicza), and the collective system in Poland. At the Zamosc school, 240 hours were devoted to political training. In the 12th Air Squadron political lectures were given on Monday and Friday for two hours each day. | the training at Zamosc

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they would first be given general points of information for study and memorization, the second hour they received additional information, and the third hour the same subject was thoroughly discussed. In the breakdown, this meant that 80 hours was introduction, 80 hours was devoted to preparation, and 80 hours for the lecture on political indoctrination.

Questioning of instructors was forbidden on the topics covered, and therefore very many of the EM ignored the instruction.

MORALE

AF personnel was given higher pay than the ground forces. Relationship between officers and EM of the AF was good even though officers received more privileges. Pass and leave policy was poor at Zamosc and Wroclaw and brought discontent to the men.

Food was poor in quality and quantity. There was little meat; fish and fat were given in its place. The messhall was dirty.

Uniforms could not be tailored, and shoes had to be worn until they fell apart.

Attendance at church services was not forbidden, but a soldier could only go if he happened to be on pass when the service was going on. Religion was not regarded as important by the administrative head-quarters.

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OU'	TH MOVEMENTS	•
• _	Polish Youth Union (ZMP - Zwiazek Mlodziezy Polskiej). Dues were 30 zloty per month, with meetings twice per month. Political Party topics were discussed.	25X1
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	forces had small arms, carbines, and TT pistols.	